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Broadway Heartbeat

Celebs About Town: Victor Mature (he barely made the rent for the smallest room in The Essex House when he was in New York last), who will roll up to the Roxy's premiere of "The Robe" tonight in an \$8,000 Cadillac... Sloan Simpson (Our Town's former First Lady) in The Stork Club politely refusing to be Kodak'd... Wealthy Bob Feller (of The Cleveland Indians) with his lovely Squaw in the Club... Ava Gardner cancelling her pledge to appear on a newscast (Sabbath night) at which Sinatra was a spectator... Maurice Evans, the "Dial M for Murder" star, carrying a Veddy British Umbrella on W. 44th... Phyllis Hill (the "5th Season" dollight) zipping up the East River Drive every 6:30 a.m. for the 7 a.m. rehearsals of her tawny program... Charles Lindbergh, Lone Eagle along Central Park South in the dawning.

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Sallies in Our Alley: Over at The Carlton House two romantic midgets were having The Sads... "Darling," he comforted, "don't fight it. It's smaller than both of us!"... A Broadwayite discussing Lucille Ball's explanation chuckled: "That's the first time anyone ever heard a Ball yell Foul."

Midtown Tragedy: His last name was Buckley... The backstage doorman at the Roxy Theater for 20 years... They gave him his notice when they decided to discontinue stage shows... They also gave him \$1,000 in severance pay... The Old Fellow went to the Track and tried to parlay the "G" and lost it all... He came back to B'way—checked into a hotel near the Roxy—and hanged himself.

Moments of a Midnigher: Mickey Rooney's mother had better luck in a Reno horseroom. Five winners in a row winning almost \$6,000. She started with a \$20 bet... Mary Mulhern, former "Bagfield" lovely (once Mary Pickford's sister-in-law), is ill and desperately in need at the Hotel Maryland... Jack Smith, Jr., of the Daily News, weds Marie Ann Sanka, a nurse, in Bridgeport Sept. 26... Morton Downey's image Sean is in love. She is Elizabeth Engrav, dghtr of the Central Intelligence Agency biggie... U. N. Chief Ham-marskjold's favorite frail is Swedish beauty Dorothy Johansson, a local Girl Friday... Cleanliness is not always next to Godliness. The Best-Seller list has former "Madam" Adler's "House Is Not A Home" in 2nd Place. The revised version of The Holy Bible is No. 8.